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1. FOLLOWING ARE TEXTS OF TWO ARAB RESOLUTIONS WHICH ARE NOW BEING CIRCULATED AT SUBJECT CONFERENCE.

(A) QUOTE - THE CONFERENCE CONDEMNS THE EXISTING AND INCREASING RELATIONS BETWEEN THE ZIONIST STATE OF ISRAEL AND THE RACIST REGIME OF SOUTH AFRICA, AND IN PARTICULAR THOSE IN THE ECONOMIC AND MILITARY FIELDS, AND DEPLORES AND WARNS AGAINST CO-OPERATION BETWEEN THEM IN THE NUCLEAR FIELD.

IT PARTICULARLY DEPLORES THE EXPANSION AND INTENSIFICATION OF THOSE RELATIONS AT THE TIME WHEN THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY EXERTS ALL ITS EFFORTS TOWARDS THE END OF COMPLETELY ISOLATING THE RACIST REGIME OF SOUTH AFRICA.

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THE CONFERENCE VIEWS THIS CO-OPERATION AS AN ACT OF DELIBERATE CHOICE, AND A HOSTILE ACT AGAINST THE OPPRESSED PEOPLE OF SOUTH AFRICA, AS WELL AS A DEFIANCE OF THE RESOLUTIONS OF THE UNITED NATIONS AND THE EFFORTS OF THE SOCIETY OF NATIONS TO ENSURE FREEDOM AND PEACE IN SOUTHERN AFRICA.

THE CONFERENCE ALSO NOTES WITH CONCERN THE INSIDUOUS PROPAGANDA BY THE GOVERNMENT OF ISRAEL AND ITS ZIONIST AND OTHER SUPPORTERS AGAINST THE UNITED NATIONS ORGANS AND AGAINST GOVERNMENTS WHICH HAVE ADVOCATED FIRM ACTION AGAINST APARTHEID. END QUOTE.

(B) - QUOTE - THE CONFERENCE RECALLS WITH DEEP REGRET THE CRUEL TRAGEDY WHICH BEFELL THE PALESTINIAN PEOPLE THIRTY YEARS AGO AND WHICH IT CONTINUES TO ENDURE TODAY - MANIFESTED IN PREVENTING IT FROM EXERCISING ITS RIGHT TO SELF-DETERMINATION ON THE SOIL OF ITS HOMELAND, IN THE DISPERSION OF HUNDREDS OF THOUSANDS OF PALESTINIANS, THE PREVENTION OF THEIR RETURN TO THEIR HOMES, AND THE ESTABLISHMENT THEREIN OF SETTLERS FROM ABROAD, AND IN THE PRACTICE OF DIVERSE FORMS OF RACIAL DISCRIMINATION AGAINST PALESTINIANS AFFECTING ALL ASPECTS OF THEIR DAILY LIVES IN A MANNER WHICH PREVENTS THEIR ENJOYMENT OF THEIR ELEMENTARY HUMAN RIGHTS ON A BASIS OF EQUALITY.

THE CONFERENCE EXPRESSES ITS GRAVE CONCERN OVER THIS CONTINUING SITUATION AND DEPLORES ISRAEL'S REFUSAL TO COMPLY WITH THE RELEVANT RESOLUTIONS OF THE UNITED NATIONS. IT CALLS FOR THE CESSATION OF ALL PRACTICES OF RACIAL DISCRIMINATION TO WHICH PALESTINIANS, AS WELL AS OTHER INHABITANTS OF THE ARAB TERRITORIES OCCUPIED BY ISRAEL, ARE BEING SUBJECTED. LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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THE CONFERENCE VOICES ITS HOPE THAT THE PALESTINIAN PEOPLE WILL SOON HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO EXERCISE ITS INALIENABLE RIGHT TO SELF-DETERMINATION IN PALESTINE, AND PROCLAIMS ITS SOLIDARITY WITH THE PALESTINIAN PEOPLE IN ITS STRUGGLE FOR LIBERATION AND AGAINST RACIAL DISCRIMINATION. END QUOTE. SORENSON

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